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Excise Officers Arrest 54 at Brad Paisley Concert

Noblesville, Ind. (May 11) – Indiana State Excise Police officers made 54 arrests Friday evening at Klipsch Music Center during the Brad Paisley concert. Seven juveniles and 46 minors were preliminarily charged with Illegal Possession of an Alcoholic Beverage. One minor was arrested when they were found to be in possession of false government issued identification.

Excise officers issued summonses and released all 54 of those who were arrested. They will appear in a Hamilton County court at a later date for the alleged charges.

Indiana State Excise Police Superintendent Matt Strittmatter stated, "The Indiana State Excise Police will continue to work in cooperation with the management and employees of Klipsch Music Center throughout the summer concert season to promote a safe environment for those who attend."

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.